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WARSAW, *March* 26.

BY an expreſs which arrived here the day before yeſterday we hear that the new Confederates of Podolia made an attempt to carry off the Sieur Dziduſyrſki, commander of the troops of the Republick in that neighbourhood. Being appriſed of their deſign he retired into the fortreſs of Kaminieck with ſo much precipitation that he abandoned all his Poliſh troops, to the amount of 2000 men, who were taken by the Confederates. Since this ſucceſs the Confederates have beſieged Kaminieck with all their forces, and as the garriſon is very ill provided for a defence we expect hourly to hear of its ſurrender. Some people even ſay that fortreſs has ſurrendered, and that the garriſon, after ſetting the officers at liberty, was incorporated in the victorious troops. Some freſh advices ſay that the Towarits, who inhabited the Ukraine, and ſome of the neighbouring Coſſacks, have taken arms in favour of the Confederates.

The Ruſſian army, commanded by General Kreſcketnikow, is marching towards Zamoſk, in order to form a line towards the palatinate of Cracovia, to obſerve the motions of the Confederates, and preventing the neighbouring palatinates from joining them.

STOCKHOLM, *March* 19. This capital, and its neighbourhood, have ſuffered conſiderably by the late ſtorm. Moſt of the houſes at Lidkioping, in Weſtrogothia, were deſtroyed; the tower of the church was beat down; and eight perſons have been found buried under the ſnow.

LONDON, *April* 14.

SUBSCRIPTIONS are actually ſet on foot at ſeveral houſes of publick reſort in Middleſex, by the freeholders of the county, for the independent ſupport of their new member, Mr. Wilkes, and to enable him to preſerve that inflexible integrity which has been hitherto the invariable rule of his conduct. Would the other counties, cities, and boroughs, follow this laudable example, and ſupport the independency of their repreſentatives, we might then expect to ſee the glorious times of our forefathers reſtored, when the free voices of a Britiſh Parliament were in no danger of being biaſſed by a corrupt Adminiſtration. It is ſcarce neceſſary to mention that any repreſentative may *legally* call upon his conſtituents for ſupport, though in theſe degenerate times it is much to be feared none will have the fortitude to follow the example of a MARVEL, who actually ſued the town of Kingſton upon Hull for the charges allowed him by the laws.

It is ſaid an act of Parliament will be immediately paſſed to render Mr. Wilkes unqualified to ſit as a member of the Houſe of Commons.

We hear likewiſe that a great perſonage is determined not to pardon a late exile, ſo that it may be expected he will be obliged again to leave his native country

Yeſterday the Right Hon. the Earl of Sandwich kiſſed his Majeſty's hand at St. James's, on his being appointed joint Poſtmaſter General with Lord Le Deſpencer, in the room of the Earl of Hillſborough.

It is ſaid that a candidate for a certain place has given a bond to a Gentleman who can procure half a dozen votes, by which he obliges himſelf to pay him 200l. a year until he procures him an adequate employment in one of the publick offices.

It is thought that there will be at leaſt 150 new members in the enſuing Parliament.

Yeſterday there was a great Council at St. James's, at which Lord Gower, Preſident, the Duke of Grafton, the two Secretaries of State, and the Earl of Hillſborough, Secretary for the American colonies, aſſiſted; ſaid to be in reference to deſpatches received from the ſaid colonies.

Some of the apartments fitting up in Kenſington palace are intended for the reſidence of the Prince of Monaco, and his brother, daily expected in England, where their Highneſſes intend to ſpend the enſuing ſummer.

A fine chariot, richly painted and ornamented, is now finiſhing, together with a ſet of harneſs complete, the buckles and ornaments of which are ſolid ſilver, and are intended as a preſent to the Prince of Monaco.

April 19. They write from Liſbon that the St. Michael, a Portugueſe man of war, had lately fallen in with two Salletine cruiſers, off the Canary iſland, one of which he ſunk, and carried the other into port, in a ſhattered condition, with ſcarce one third of the crew alive.

April 30. On Thurſday and yeſterday a great number of Gentleman viſited Mr. Wilkes in the King's Bench priſon, and a large concourſe of people have each day gathered about that place. On Thurſday night the mob aſſembled about the priſon, and pulled up the rails that enclоſed the footway, with which they made a bonefire, and burnt a boot and a bonnet; they alſo obliged the inhabitants of the borough to illuminate their houſes, and ſuch as did not had their windows broken. About twelve o'clock a party of Guards came, upon which the mob diſperſed.

Another account ſays that the mob came with pickaxes and attempted to level the priſon walls, but deſiſted on Mr. Wilkes's entreating them from a window to diſperſe.

This week ſeveral meetings of the moſt conſiderable freeholders of the county of Middleſex, in the intereſt of John Wilkes, Eſq; were held at different places, to conſider of the preſent exigency of that Gentleman's affairs.

The Guards at the Tower are ordered to hold themſelves in readineſs at a minute's warning, leſt any diſturbance ſhould happen.

Yeſterday Mr. Wilkes being quite recovered from his illneſs, contracted by overmuch fatigue and confinment, viewed all the parts of the inſide of the King's Bench priſon, the chapel, &c. and read ſeveral petitions from the poor priſoners, earneſtly ſoliciting his ſervice in Parliament towards obtaining *an act of inſolvency* the enſuing ſeſſion, which he politely received, with a promiſe of his endeavours for that purpoſe.

It is now confidently aſſerted that the late Meſſ. Charles Churchill and Robert Lloyd were the real writers of the celebrated North Briton No. 45, during a few days abſence of Mr. Wilkes in the country, though the laſt mentioned Gentleman, rather than at that time give up his friends, has brought himſelf into ſo much trouble for it.

Mr. Wilkes likewiſe viewed and examined a large commodious cellar, in order to lay in a ſtock of choice wine for entertaining his friends during confinement, which is conjectured will continue about a month.

It is ſaid that copies of certain letters, and other papers, of great conſequence to this nation, are in the hands of a certain perſon; who will, at a proper time, make ſuch a diſcovery as will exhibit to the publick at one view ſome of their greateſt friends and greateſt enemies, at home as well as abroad. And that an incredible ſum of money was lately offered to the ſame Gentleman for a copy of one of thoſe papers; which was, with a becoming ſpirit, abſolutely refuſed.

A letter from Madrid, dated April 3d, ſays: "The King hath ſent orders to his Miniſter at Rome to act in concert with thoſe of France and Naples in the repreſentation to be made to the Pope for the maintenance of the rights of the ſovereign Princes of the Houſe of Bourbon."

Yeſterday there was a levee in St. James's, but no council; after breaking up of the levee Lord Mansfield had a long conference with his Majeſty.

The troops on the Iriſh eſtabliſhment are to be augmented to 15 235 men in the whole.

May 1. It is confidently ſaid that the Earl of Hillſborough will continue in both places, a Joint Poſtmaſter General and Secretary of State for North America.

And it is alſo ſaid the poſt of Secretary of State for North America will be of ſhort continuance, as the buſineſs upon that continent will be conducted by the Board of Trade, as uſual.

According to private letters from the Hague her Imperial Majeſty of Ruſſia is ſaid to intereſt herſelf highly in favour of the independency of the Corſicans; and it was reported a Nobleman of that nation is now at St. Peterſburgh, in quality of agent from General Paoli.

The Court of King's Bench was remarkably full of foreigners on Wedneſday, moſt of them perſons of high rank in their reſpective countries.

It is ſaid that there will be no leſs than 37 Gentlemen who have made fortunes in the Eaſt Indies, 98 natives of Ireland, and 76 natives of Scotland, in a very illuſtrious Aſſembly.

May 3. Lord Mansfield told Mr. Wilkes yeſterday if he had been committed for life he muſt blame himſelf, for which *judicious* remark he thanked his Lordſhip, as he did the Bench for their JUDGMENT. When he went out of court with the proper officers he aſked them to go and dine with him at ſome tavern near, as it was late, which was refuſed him, unleſs he had leave of the Court; to which he replied, he did not come to aſk favours of the Court, but receive their JUDGMENT.

When Mr. Wilkes deſired the populace not to take off the horſes, but to diſperſe, one of them replied: "I tell you what, Maſter Wilkes, as I have told you before, that horſes often draw aſſes; but as you are a man, you ſhall be drawn by men."

The following letter was ſent yeſterday to Mr. Reynolds, attorney at law in Lime ſtreet.

THE *writs of errour* in caſe of my *outlawry* being now allowed, I deſire you to examine carefully into the ſtate of the proceedings of the action I brought five years ago againſt Lord Halifax, for having dared to iſſue a *general warrant*. I think that action was ſuſpended ſolely by his Lordſhip's plea, that I was *outlawed*. I hope to live to hear an Engliſh jury, by a formal verdict, condemn a Secretary of State who violated the firſt right of this free nation, the perſonal liberty of our countrymen, in the moſt outrageous and illegal manner. I therefore beg you to loſe no time in laying before my counſel every thing proper for the proſecution of this publick cauſe, which no conſideration ſhall make me decline or delay.

I thank you, Sir, for the daily proofs you give me of activity and zeal in the courſe of this great buſineſs, and deſire you to believe me ever

Your obliged humble ſervant,

King's Bench priſon. JOHN WILKES.

Two contradictory reports are now circulating at the weſt end of the town, the one that a change will ſoon happen in the Miniſtry in favour of ſome of Mr. Wilkes's friends, now out of office; the other that his preſent friends in the Miniſtry are to reſign, and be replaced by ſome of his old inveterate enemies. Which is the moſt probable we know not, and therefore muſt leave it to be gueſſed at by our readers.

It is confidently ſaid that a certain noble Lord has received a great number of letters, addreſſed to him, of a moſt daring and alarming nature.

If Mr. Wilkes ſhould continue in confinement until the meeting of Parliament, and conſequently not be able to attend the buſineſs of it, it is ſaid that the freeholders of Middleſex intend to petition the Houſe of Commons that their member may be ſet at liberty, to take care of their concerns, and to do his duty in the Houſe.

A detachment of the troops of the Crown of Poland, it is ſaid, has ſurpriſed and defeated ſome hundreds of the Confederates, and the Ruſſian General is marching to diſperſe the reſt. The Confederates have obliged the Jews to pay the capitation tax to them.

They write from Paris that the embarkation of the troops for Corſica is poſtponed, becauſe the Engliſh Ambaſſadour has notified the motives that the King his maſter has to oppoſe it.

May 5. Letters from Amſterdam ſay that a treaty is actually on the tapis between the States General and the Corſicans, by which the Dutch oblige themſelves to ſend a formidable naval armament to the aſſiſtance of the Corſicans. The Corſicans engage on their part that the Dutch ſhall have entry into all the ports of the iſland, and the excluſive right to the exportation of wine and oil, in return for which they will accept from the Dutch not only money, but broadcloths, linen, and many other manufactures, of which the Corſicans will for many years require a conſiderable ſupply.

Yeſterday a turtle of 145 pounds weight was ſent by Lewis Mendez, Eſq; to John Wilkes, Eſq; in the King's Bench, being the firſt turtle that has been brought this year to England.

It is ſaid 300,000l. bail was refuſed on Wedneſday at a certain place.

It is rumoured that a certain popular Gentleman has been offered his pardon, on condition he will engage to ſtop proſecution againſt the Earl of Halifax.

To the many meaſures taken againſt Mr. Wilkes may be added that on the 19th inſtant: When he dined with his friends at the King's Arms tavern in Cornhill he was ſerved in the midſt of them by an agent of the Solicitor of the Treaſury with an Exchequer writ, and bill of diſcovery upon information (conſiſting of many ſheets of paper) in order, ſhould the outlawry remain, to diſcover and ſeize all his effects, even the ſmall pittance generouſly ſubſcribed for the diſcharging his debts, as being in law forfeited to the Crown; and, in caſe the outlawry was reverſed, then to oblige him to prove, in an un--l way, his full qualification to ſit in the houſe as Knight of the Shire, as well as to give him as much vexation, and put him to as great expenſe, as was poſſible.

We hear a noble Lord has expended ſo much money to defray the electioneering expenſes that he has propoſed to his tenants if they would advance one year's rent they ſhould remain the next year gratis.

The begging box belonging to the debtors of the King's Bench priſon is now inſcribed with the words "Wilkes and Liberty, No. 45;" on account of which, and of Mr. Wilkes's being confined there, ſcarce a friend of liberty that can afford it paſſes by without putting ſomething into it for the relief of the poor confined debtors, ſo that they have fared more comfortably ſince his being confined there than for a long time before.

May 6. We hear that Mr. Wilkes's outlawry is to be pleaded next Saturday, and, if reverſed, that he will receive ſentence the ſame day.

It is ſaid that two very great perſonages in the law have refuſed to plead on Saturday next, and that two other eminent counſel are retained in their room.

It is ſaid that the Right Hon. the Earl of Hillſborough will ſoon be appointed to ſucceed Lord Weymouth, as one of his Majeſty's Secretaries of State.

Letters from India, brought by the Hector Indiaman, mention that the Dutch had lately eſtabliſhed a new ſettlement and factory on the iſland of Borneo, in the Aſiatick ocean, from which they expected great advantages.

Thurſday Mr. Wilkes had a great levee, and great numbers of perſons are gathered continually about the King's Bench priſon; but though a report was current that ſome outrages were intended laſt night, we do not find there were any committed.

A CARD from the LADIES.

MANY Ladies (moſt of them extremely handſome, and ſome very rich)—preſent their compliments to Mr. Wilkes's committee, and beg they will have their pictures exhibited with their names underwritten, that, if ſingle, the above Ladies may have it in their power to reward ſuch diſtinguiſhed merit, ſo juſtly exerted in the glorious cauſe of liberty.

To the Gentlemen, Clergy, and Freeholders, of the county of MIDDLESEX.

Gentlemen,

IN ſupport of the liberties of this country againſt the arbitrary rule of Miniſters I was before committed to the Tower, and am now ſentenced to this priſon. Steadineſs with, I hope, ſtrength of mind, do not however leave me; for the ſame conſolation follows me here, the conſciouſneſs of innocence, of having done my duty, and exerted all my poor abilities, not unſucceſsfully, for this nation. I can ſubmit even to far greater ſufferings with cheerfullneſs, becauſe I ſee that my countrymen reap the happy fruits of my labours and cruel perſecutions, by the repeated deciſions of our ſovereign courts of juſtice in favour of liberty. I therefore bear up with fortitude, and even glory that I am called to ſuffer in this cauſe, becauſe I continue to find the nobleſt reward, the applauſe of my native country, of this great, free, and ſpirited people.

I chiefly regret, Gentlemen, that this confinement deprives me of the honour of thanking you in perſon according to my promiſe, and at preſent takes from me in a great degree the power of being uſeful to you: The will, however, to do every ſervice to my conſtituents remains in its full force; and when my ſufferings have a period, the firſt day I regain my liberty ſhall reſtore a life of zeal in the cauſe and intereſts of the county of Middleſex.

In this priſon, in any other, in every place, my ruling paſſion will be the love of England and our free conſtitution. To thoſe objects I will make every ſacrifice. Under all the oppreſſions which miniſterial rage and revenge can invent, my ſteady purpoſe is to concert with you, and other true friends of this country, the moſt probable means of rooting out the remains of arbitrary power, and Star Chamber inquiſition; and of improving, as well as ſecuring, the generous plans of freedom which were the boaſt of our anceſtors, and I truſt will remain the nobleſt inheritance of our poſterity, the only genuine characteriſtick of Engliſhmen. I have the honour to be, with affection and regard, Gentlemen,

Your obliged and faithful humble ſervant,

JOHN WILKES.

Mr. Wilkes hopes that thoſe Gentlemen who have not received letters of thanks will forgive the miſtake, which is entirely owing to 3 of the 24 check books having been miſlaid, a circumſtance he was not acquainted with until very lately.

We hear that their Majeſties, with the young Princes and Prince Royal, will remove to Richmond this day for the ſummer ſeaſon, orders being given for the neceſſary preparations to be made for that purpoſe.

An unuſual inſtance of vegetation has lately been diſcovered: Laſt month Mr. Criſſip, of Long Newton, applied to a neighbouring ſurgeon at Yarm for his aſſiſtance in a caſe of deafneſs, which he had periodically laboured under from about the laſt harveſt time until Chriſtmas laſt, but ever ſince Chriſtmas his diſorder became ſo much increaſed as to occaſion him a total unremitting deafneſs in one of his ears. The ſurgeon, upon examining the ear, found it filled with wax, which he extracted, and at the bottom of the cavity of the ear he alſo found and extracted a barley corn in a ſtate of vegetation; theſe cauſes being thus removed, and by the help of a few gentle applications by the ſurgeon, Mr. Criſſip, to his great ſatisfaction, hath regained his former hearing.

The following anecdote may be depended upon: A young Gentleman attended two young Ladies to a certain chapel at the east end of the town, which is very much frequented by the Nobility and Gentry; while there, he obſerved the eldeſt of the young Ladies behaviour during the whole ſervice to be remarkably light and inconſiſtent with the place and occaſion, as that of the other was exemplary, and expreſſed the greateſt ſenſibility and devotion. It had ſo great an effect on the young Gentleman that though he had long before paid his addreſſes to the former, he from that inſtant conceived ſuch a diſguſt at her conduct, and preference to her ſiſter's, that we are aſſured he ſoon after declared his eſteem for her, and that they were actually married not many days ſince. A ſtriking caution to the female ſex, and a proof how readily men of ſenſe and diſcernment muſt incline to the ſide of real ſenſibility and merit.

EDINBURGH, *April* 26. This day at one o'clock came on at the abbey of Holyrood Houſe here the election of the 16 Scots Peers to repreſent North Britain in the enſuing Parliament, when the following were choſen: The Duke of Argyle, Duke of Athol, Duke of Gordon, Earl of Marchmont, Earl of Morton, Earl of Abercorn, Earl of Loudoun, Earl of Strathmore, Earl of March, Earl of Bute, Earl of Eglingtoun, Earl of Dunmore, *Earl of Roſeberry, *Lord Viſcount Irwin.

N. B. Thoſe marked thus * are new repreſentatives; all the others were in the laſt Parliament.

There were about 40 Peers preſent, beſides ſeveral proxies.

WHITEHALL, *April* 30. It being his Majeſty's Royal intention that the Parliament, which is ſummoned to meet on Tueſday the 10th of May next, ſhould then meet and ſit, the King has been pleaſed to direct a commiſſion to paſs the Great Seal appointing and authorizing his Royal Highneſs the Duke of Cumberland, Thomas Lord Archbiſhop of Canterbury, and other Lords, to open and hold the ſaid Parliament on the ſaid 10th day of May next, being the day of the returns of the writs of ſummons.

OXFORD, *April* 30. Our accounts from all parts agree that the corn upon the ground never appeared in a more flouriſhing condition at the ſame ſeaſon of the year: The wheat and beans are every where moſt remarkably healthy and ſtrong, the barley land was never in finer condition, and the meadow as well as upland grounds ſo much refreſhed by the late ſalutary rains that a more promiſing appearance for plentiful crops of all kinds cannot be remembered.

DUBLIN, *April* 12. Yeſterday it was agreed that his Excellency Lord Viſcount Townſhend be applied to, to honour the city of Dublin to ſit for his picture, to be painted by a native of this kingdom, at the city expenſe, in honour of his Excellency's great ſervices to this kingdom, and particularly for obtaining the Octennial Bill.

By a letter from Clogheen we are informed that laſt Saturday an accidental fire broke out [illegible] which conſumed the greateſt part of the town. It began about midnight, and among many other great damages the ſtorehouſe belonging to the lighthouſe quartered there was totally deſtroyed, with all their ſpare new clothing, baggage, and ammunition; ſeveral induſtrious families are abſolutely ruined, and in the utmoſt diſtreſs.

CHARLESTOWN, *June* 27.

CAPTAIN Higgins, who arrived here laſt Monday, in 25 days from Maryland, on the 14th inſtant, in lat. 32: 53 N. long. 75: 47 W. ſaw a ſchooner, which he ſuppoſed to be about 70 tuns burthen, ſunk even with the water, her maſt ſtanding, but no topmaſt up, her boom gone, and he believes her boltſprit too; but the wind blew ſo hard, and his own veſſel was ſo leaky, and in ſo great diſtreſs, that he could not approach near enough to be able to give any further account of the wreck.

The wheat planters in the back country have ſucceeded remarkably well this year. They have ſown a great deal, and are likely to reap it all, not having ſuſtained any loſs, as uſual, by the ruſt. And it is ſaid that near double the quantity of hemp will be made this year in thoſe parts that was the laſt

July 1. The Chicaſah Indians have refuſed all the offers of peace made them by the Creeks, who are likely to have no other ſucceſs with the Choctaws.

July 4. Laſt Friday put in here, bound for New York from Penſacola, the ſloop Harlequin, Michael Power maſter, having on board Lieutenant Thomas of the artillery, and Mrs. Thomas. Before Capt. Power left Penſacola Lieutenant Governour Browne was returned from the interiour parts of his government, and a large ſchooner from Campeachy was arrived there with a conſiderable quantity of caſh, to purchaſe Britiſh goods.

Yeſterday Capt. Joſiah Dickinſon arrived in 16 days from Penſacola, who informs us that the Grantham packet boat, Capt. Jones, was to ſail for this place the day after him, with Capt. Howe and other paſſengers on board. That Lieutenant Governour Browne was arrived at Mobile, on his return from the interiour parts of his government. That a brig from London, with a large quantity of money on board, was arrived at Mobile. That he heard of no diſturbances with any Indians. And that, though they now had plenty of goods for the Spaniſh trade at Penſacola, there was not a Spaniſh veſſel at that port while he continued there.

The Rev. Mr. Whitefield having failed to obtain a charter from the Crown for converting the orphan-houſe in Georgia into a college, upon the plan by him propoſed, has ſent over Mr. Longworthy as a tutor, and Mr. Crane as a manager, at ſaid houſe, and intends to add a publick academy thereto (for which he will ſend out a Preſident) for the main enhance and education of poor indigent orphans, as well as more opulent ſtudents.

The 23d put into Georgia, having been blown off St. Auguſtine, the brigantine Hope, Capt. Livingſton, and the ſnow Friendſhip, being part of a fleet of 8 ſail, laſt from Gibraltar, with 1500 Greeks, Italians, and Mahoneſe, on board, brought over by Dr Andrew Turnbull for his intended new ſettlements in Eaſt Florida. It is ſaid that two brigantines of ſaid fleet have got into St. Auguſtine, and that the veſſel in which Mr. Turnbull himſelf was had bore away for this port.

QUEBEC, *June* 23.

ON Tueſday morning, the 14th inſtant, the brig Mary and Suſannah, John Muir maſter, from London, belonging to Meſſ. Douglas and Atkin, merchants of this place, was drove aſhore on Red iſland, in the river St. Lawrence, in a violent gale and thick fog, and is entirely loſt. The Captain, crew, and paſſengers, in all 14 perſons, took to the boat, where they remained 12 hours, during which time two of the paſſengers died of wet and cold; the ſurvivers happily got on board of a ſchooner, which brought them ſafe here.

Monday laſt arrived off St. John's, Iſle of Orleans, three tranſports, with the remainder of the 8th regiment, commanded by Lieut. Col. Ackland; and on Tueſday they were landed on ſaid iſland, where they are to remain in cantonment until the barracks are ready for their reception. They are in general healthy, and are to relieve the 15th.

PORTSMOUTH, *July* 8.

YESTERDAY a petition, ſigned by a large number of the reſpectable inhabitants of this town, was repreſented to the Seleetmen, requiring them immediately to call a publick town meeting, in order to give their repreſentatives particular inſtructions in the preſent alarming and critical time; in conſequence of which, we hear, a meeting will be held on Monday next.

BOSTON, *July* 11.

THE reigning toaſt in this province is the Maſſachuſetts 92, and we hope it will ſoon be ſo throughout the continent, as alſo throughout Europe.

Our brethren in the other colonies may be aſſured, notwithſtanding any reports to the contrary, that the importation of Britiſh goods this ſpring has been leſs than in former years, and that the ſale of thoſe articles has fell vaſtly ſhort even of the laſt year's; happy effects of our growing induſtry and frugality. It is however but juſt to acknowledge that the prodigious ſcarcity of money, occaſioned by the late duty, has greatly contributed to thoſe effects. What muſt we think of the policy which thus impoveriſhes provinces to maintain ſwarms of uſeleſs officers in luxury and extravagance. May Britain think of it before it be too late.

Laſt Wedneſday came into this harbour his Majeſty's armed ſchooners Hope and Little Romney.

On Friday laſt arrived here his Majeſty's ſhip of war the Senegal, Captain Cookſon, and the St. Lawrence armed cutter, from Halifax.

It is ſaid that one of the ſeventeen ſlaves applied, very earneſtly, to a number of coaſters, bound to the ſouthward, for a paſſage to Martha's Vineyard; but upon their requiring who he was, and finding him to be a ſlave, they refuſed him a paſſage. This obliged him to conceal himſelf on board an oyſterman, by which means he got a paſſage to the Cape, where he very fortunately came acroſs a kind good natured old ſquaw, belonging to the Vineyard, and homeward bound, who was very glad to ſee her countryman, and hearing him lament his abject condition, ſhe was moved with pity, and generouſly received him into her canoe, and gave him a paſſage with her over to the iſland.

The laborious endeavours of penſioners and ſeekers, ſince the project of laying duties in America for the expreſs purpoſe of a revenue was adopted, has been to hide the true ſtate of things, and poſſeſs Adminiſtration with a belief that ſuch meaſures were not diſagreeable to the body and better ſort of the people; that the oppoſition made thereto is only the oppoſition of a little factious expiring party, which cannot ſtand before the exertions of power. This accounts for the pains taken by a certain Governour and others to prevent our petitions and remonſtrances from being preſented, as alſo for the invitation of MEN of WAR, TROOPS, &c. the carrying off veſſels in a hoſtile manner, the firing at others, and even boats, to douſe ſails, colours, &c. the ſearching of veſſels, ſtopping others, and taken out the cargo on the man of war's deck, impreſſing and impriſoning his Majeſty's ſubjects, and threatening to blow the brains out of ſuch as attempted to put their heads above the hatches, intimations and threats of firing broadſides into the town, and a moſt extraordinary letter to the Governour, handed the Council before the late diſturbances, in which a Captain is ſaid to expreſs his hopes that he may not be provoked to make uſe of the power in his hands to treat the inhabitants worſe then he would chooſe to uſe barbarians; but this extraordinary behaviour of the Captain's is now forgot or forgiven by the people, as they have had it reported to them that he is entirely under the directions of the Board of Cuſtoms, who applied for his being ſent here. It is now to be hoped that the ſurpriſing unanimity of this town, the province, and other colonies, with their ſeveral Aſſemblies, will ſerve to convince the whole nation how much they have been impoſed upon by the accounts of intereſted and deſigning men, who have projected and recommended meaſures which are not only diſguſtful and diſtreſſing, but, if adhered to and purſued, may in the end prove fatal to Britiſh as well as American liberty.

His Excellency Governour Bernard hath iſſued his proclamation, dated the 1ſt inſtant, for diſſolving the Great and General Court of this province, in ſubſtance as follows, viz.

In obedience to his Majeſty's commands, ſignified to me by his Secretary of State, I diſſolve the Great and General Court or Aſſembly; and the ſaid Great and General Court or Aſſembly is accordingly diſſolved, and the members therefore are hereby diſcharged from all further attendance.

At a Council held at the Council Chamber in Boſton, *Thurſday* June 30, 1768.

ADVISED, that William Brattle, James Ruſſel, Thomas Fluker, and Royal Tyler, Eſqrs. with the *permiſſion* of his Excellency, be a committee to take into conſideration the preſent ſtate and circumſtances of the province, and report as ſoon as may be what they may judge proper to be laid before his Majeſty reſpecting the ſame, and that it be previouſly ſubmitted to the *conſideration* of his Excellency.

At a Council held, &c. July 8, 1768.

Mr. Bowdoin, from the committee appointed to prepare an humble addreſs to his Majeſty, having reported the foregoing draught, the ſame was accepted. And his Excellency was thereupon unanimouſly deſired to tranſmit a fair draught of the ſame to his Majeſty's Secretary of State, with a requeſt that he would be pleaſed to lay it before his Majeſty for his moſt gracious conſideration; and that his Excellency be deſired, at the ſame time, to recommend the prayer of the ſaid petition.

About 7000 ounces of ſilver collected in Salem from the new duties, it is ſaid, were laſt week brought to this town for exportation or conſumption.

A LETTER *to a friend in* LONDON.

SIR, *Boſton, July* 8, 1768.

BY a meſſage from the Governour of this province to the Houſe of Repreſentatives, accompanied with an extract from the Earl of Hillſborough's letter, it appears that the reſolution of the former Houſe, which gave birth to their circular letter to the other colonies, has been repreſented to his Majeſty in the odious light of a party and factious meaſure, and the laſt Houſe have been required to reſcind and diſavow it. They have maturely conſidered the requiſition, and voted againſt a compliance with it, by a majority of 92 to 17. Could any thing of this nature appear ſtrange on this ſide the water, one would wonder that a meaſure ſo *innocent* in itſelf, ſo *prudent*, and ſo *ſalutary* for his Majeſty's American ſubjects, ſo reſpectful to the mother country, and ſo dutiful and loyal to the King, tranſacted in the view of the world, and finally laid before the Governour himſelf, without the leaſt notice from him to the Houſe or the publick that he had any unfavourable ſentiments of it, could be thus miſrepreſented; but it has been the unhappy fate of this province, perhaps of all America, to be defamed and abuſed without intermiſſion by thoſe who ought to afford to his Majeſty the beſt and trueſt intelligence, and to fall under his diſpleaſure at times when they have flattered themſelves they were in the path of their duty, and hoped for the Royal protection and favour. Such are the times, and ſuch the country we live in! There are men, enemies to the King and to his people, from whom *both* have a ſacred right to expect better things, who have been inceſſantly endeavouring to ſtrike out ſparks of jealouſy and diſcord which may one day prove fatal to an empire! *Behold what a great matter a little fire kindleth!* And, unfortunately for us, theſe malignant whiſperers ſeem to have the ear and attention of the nation, while ſhe is not aware that there are men in America, ſome perhaps whoſe rank and ſtation give her a juſt right of confidence, who ſeek their own greatneſs, though at the expenſe of her utter ruin. Theſe men are not ſatisfied with defaming the moſt worthy characters; they muſt proſcribe a province! a continent! and, in imitation of that *hoſtis patriæ et humani generis*, they ſeem ardently to thirſt for a power to cut off the whole people at one ſtroke! Theſe are not the ſuggeſtions of party and faction; they are the ſentiments of the publick. They were lately drawn into a dutiful and humble petition to the Throne, wherein, among other articles of impeachment of a Governour of a province, it is alleged "that he has practiſed the ſending over depoſitions to the Miniſtry againſt Gentlemen of character, without giving the accuſed the leaſt notice of his purpoſes and proceedings;" and "that they have reaſon to apprehend that he has endeavoured to perſuade his Majeſty's Miniſters to believe that an intention was formed, and a plan ſettled, in this and the reſt of the colonies, treaſonably to withdraw themſelves from all connexion with, and dependence upon, Great Britain, and from their natural allegiance to his Majeſty's ſacred perſon and government." This petition was read, and ſuſtained, and partly accepted; and very probably would have been carried by a very large majority if the Governour had not immediately prorogued, and afterwards diſſolved, the Aſſembly. There are men, a real faction, who ſeem to aim at hurrying the people into deſpair and diſtraction; but when this ſame people have good ſenſe enough to purſue cool, diſpaſſionate, but firm and manly, rational, and conſtitutional meaſures, meaſures which the faction itſelf dare not but apparently avow, meaſures which even Governour Bernard has been heard to ſay he would have heartily joined in, if deſired, theſe men have the *perfidy* and *audacity* to repreſent them to his Majeſty's Miniſters as the deſigns of a deſperate expiring faction, tending to create unwarrantable combinations, and to excite inſurmountable oppoſition to the conſtitutional authority of the Parliament. Good God! ſhall we be for ever thus abuſed, without redreſs? ſhall we be inceſſantly defamed, as rebels and traitors? do we deſerve to have ſhips of war before us, as they now actually are, in hoſtile appearance? Or can they be deſigned to put weak women and children into terrour? Shall we be perpetually threatened with troops and dragooning, for humbly laying before our Royal Sovereign the diſtreſs brought upon us by the machinations of his and our enemies; imploring his gracious protection, and calling upon our fellow ſubjects and *fellow ſufferers* to join with us in humble *ſupplication?* Is this rebellion againſt a Britiſh King? Will the nation much longer be deceived? What muſt be the event? May Heaven avert the ruin of the Britiſh empire. America, if properly cheriſhed now, will live to ſupport that empire. America may one day, however, bid defiance to the proudeſt of her enemies, and riſe and ſhine imperial in the weſtern world. This good land, not long ſince the habitation of ſavage beaſts, and men more ſavage, may yet be the happy retreat of independence and freedom; abundantly ſufficient to make ſome choſen heir of the Brunſwick line the moſt glorious potentate the world has yet ſeen! Poſſibly you now think me enthuſiaſtick; I am calm and ſedate. Let *Britain* live truly *great*, until in the courſe of time ſhe muſt ſhare the common fate of empires! Until that event it will be her own and her colonies intereſt to be united These I know muſt be your ſentiments as well as mine; it is then our duty, as far as lies in our power, to cultivate and eſtabliſh the important union.

I am, Sir, your hearty friend and humble ſervant.

PHILADELPHIA, *July* 21.

SINCE our laſt arrived here, by the way of Maryland, a Gentleman from New Orleans, which place he left the 7th of June, and informs that Capt Walker of New York was there ſo that he met Captain Moore, in a brig of the ſame place, going up the river as he came down; that the government at New Orleans was ſtill divided between the French and Spaniards; that the money to pay the Spaniſh troops, which had been long expected, was not arrived, on which account trade was dull, there being but little caſh left among them. On his paſſage to Maryland, the 26th of June, near the iſland of Tortuga, they took up a ſhip's longboat, with only one man in it, who ſaid he lately belonged to a ſhip owned in Briſtol, bound from the Bay of Honduras for Leghorn, which was caſt away about three months before on Cuba; that the maſter and all the people ſet off in the yawl, and left him with the longboat behind; that he had ſince been turtling, but being tired of that employment was going for Carolina. It was ſuppoſed that he had either murdered or left behind on ſome of the keys his Spaniſh companions, as their things were in the boat, with a quantity of water and proviſions; but it is uncertain, as he would not give any acccount of them.

Extract of a letter from a Gentleman in New York, *dated the 14th inſtant.*

"The late brave and virtuous behaviour of the Maſſachuſetts Aſſembly, in the ſacred cauſe of liberty and their country, has given general ſatisfaction in this and all the eaſtern colonies, and the news was received with as evident tokens of joy as were manifeſted on the fall of Louiſbourg or the conqueſt of Canada. May the ſame noble zeal ſpread itſelf from town to town, and colony to colony, until we become united as one man in this glorious reſolution, never to ſurrender our inherent rights and privileges. "The illuſtrious 92" is now a toaſt in all companies.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Auguſt* 4.

ARRIVED at Norfolk, from Liverpool, the Everton, Rowe, and Croſby, Wilſon. By theſe veſſels we have advice of the death of the Princeſs LOUISA ANNE, his Majeſty's ſecond ſiſter; ſhe was born the 9th of March, 1748-9.

Advertiſements.

PORTSMOUTH, *Auguſt* 1, 1768.

I INTEND to leave the colony ſoon, and return in a ſhort time.

2|| JOHN MITCHELL.

Williamſburg, Auguſt 4, 1768.

I INTEND for GREAT BRITAIN ſoon.

CHRIST^r. BROMADGE.

To be SOLD *at vendue, on* Saturday *the* 1ſt *of* October *next, on the premiſes,*

A PLANTATION in NANSEMOND county, at *South Key* bridge, on *Blackwater*, containing about 130 acres, on which is a dwelling-houſe 32 by 24, with four rooms on a floor, and a brick cellar, all uitable out-houſes, a young thriving orchard, and every thing in good repair; alſo a ſtore-houſe, and two new warehouſes 30 by 20 each, with 10 foot ſheds on every ſide. The ſituation is well known to be convenient for trade, being on a very publick road, and contiguous to a very conſiderable ſcope of a well ſettled country. There is nine feet water up to the warehouſes, and as the landing is within 20 miles land carriage, and the moſt convenient to navigation on *Nanſemond* river, conſiderable advantage will be yearly made by ſtoring pork, tobacco, &c. intended from *Roanoke*, and the other rivers in *North Carolina*, for *Virginia*.

At the ſame time will be ſold a PLANTATION, within three miles of the former, late the property of *Michael Daughtrey*, containing about 200 acres, on which is a new dwelling-houſe, out-houſes, orchard, &c. well fenced, and in good order for cropping.

There will likewiſe be ſold a likely young Negro fellow, ſome horſes, cattle, hogs, houſehold furniture, &c.

Twelve months credit will be allowed the purchaſers, on giving bond and ſecurity to

9 JAMES GIBSON, } Truſtees.
JOHN DRIVER, }

SMITHFIELD, JULY 28, 1768.

THE subscriber has a quantity of cutlery to dispose of by wholesale, at a low advance, among which is a great variety of shoe, knee, and waistband buckles, chapes and tongs, coat, breast, and sleeve buttons, knives, razors, snuff-boxes, shears, scissors, locks, bolts, steelyards, gimlets, desk furniture, standing vices, &c. also goldsmiths, silversmiths, and blacksmiths files, of all sorts and sizes. Assortments will be made up if above 10 l. sterling value, the time of payment made easy, and the goods delivered here or at *Norfolk*. 2 GEORGE PURDIE.

BRUNSWICK, JULY 28, 1768.

ALL persons indebted to the subscriber are desired to make immediate payment, the better to enable him to discharge his debts, or they may depend on being sued, without further notice; and those to whom he is indebted are desired to make application the 10th of *November* next, at which time he will most assuredly discharge his debts.

2‖ BENJAMIN CHAPMAN.

SOUTHAMPTON, JULY 28, 1768.

RECEIVED from on board the *Elliot*, Capt. *Alexander Ferrie*, from *Glasgow*, last fall, a bale marked TW, No. 5, containing nine pieces of plaiding, 381 yards, and 10 dozen plaid hose, in lieu of a bale of osnabrugs of that mark and number shipped me by Mess. *Simson, Baird*, and Co. of *Glasgow*, which should have contained 1608 yards. As Mess. *Simson, Baird*, and Co. write the osnabrug was examined at the custom-house at *Glasgow*, I imagine the mistake has been made in delivering my bale to somebody else from on board the ship, who marks with TW. Should that be the case, whoever has the said osnabrugs in possession, by writing me a few lines by the post, informing me thereof, will oblige

THOMAS WILLIAMSON.

To be SOLD *to the highest bidder, by virtue of a decree of the worshipful court of* Prince Edward *county, to satisfy a debt due to Mr.* Robert Hastie, *at* Prince Edward *court-house, on* Monday *the* 19*th of* September, *being court day, for ready money,*

A TRACT of LAND, containing by estimation 1200 acres, lying on the head branches of *Mountain* creek, being the land whereon the late *Stephen Collins* lived, and subject to his widow's right of dower.—— Any person inclinable to purchase may be shown the land by Mr. *George Moore*, or the subscriber.

JAMES SCOTT, Sheriff.

To be SOLD *at vendue, on* Thursday *the* 18*th instant, for ready money,*

A LARGE quantity of osnabrugs, brown rolls, *Irish* linens, breeches patterns, and sundry other dry goods, &c. also a strong well built sloop, which has been but two voyages to sea, well found, a mulberry frame, and carries 2700 bushels of grain to sea, or 3000 in the rivers, with safety. WILLIAM M'CAA, V. M.

NORFOLK, *August* 2, 1768.

Ten Pounds Reward.

RUN away from the *Occoquan* furnace, in *Prince William* county, on the 14th instant, a country born Negro man named BILLY, the property of the Hon. *John Taylor*, Esq; he is a very well set fellow, about 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, chews tobacco, can play on a violin, which he carried away with him, and is by trade a ship carpenter; had on and with him when he went away a black cotton velvet jacket, two white shirts, one pair of brown and a pair of check linen trousers, an old fine hat bound round the brim with black tape, two pair of shoes, and plated buckles. He was lately brought from *Carolina*, where, by virtue of a forged pass that some good natured person had wrote for him, he had travelled without much interruption, and very possibly may prevail on some other of his acquaintance to forge another, to assist him in prosecuting his intended scheme of getting to *South Carolina*, where he expects to be free. Whoever takes up the said slave, and brings him to the said furnace, shall receive a reward of 5 l. if taken in *Virginia*, and 10 l. if taken any where out of it.

July 16, 1768. THOMAS LAWSON.

THERE is at the subscriber's plantation in *Buckingham* a mealy bay horse, with 4 black legs, aged about 8 years. He is 4 feet and an inch high, has something like a brand on the near buttock, but not distinguishable, and is appraised to 50 s. He came to my house last winter, and has been there, or thereabouts, ever since.

ROBERT BOLLING, jun.

IMPORTED a few months ago in the *Dunkirk* a truss, containing red BLANKETS, marked TNW in a piece, No. 5. It would be taken kind of the person who has it in possession to acquaint or contrive it to us, and the charges shall be thankfully paid by

RICHARD TAYLOR, & Co.

To be SOLD *at publick auction, to the highest bidder, on* Monday *the* 8*th of* August, *at the dwelling-house of the late Mr.* WILLIAM PRENTIS, *in the city of* Williamsburg, *and pursuant to his will,*

EIGHT valuable house SLAVES, and sundry kinds of household and kitchen FURNITURE, such as plate, china, tables, chairs, pictures, looking-glasses, beds, quilts, blankets, table and bed linen, a couch, clock, dumb waiter, chest of drawers, bureau, cooler, two suits of fine bed curtains and bedsteads, a large quantity of pewter, &c. a single chair, a cart, and several horses; a pipe of fine old *Madeira* wine, and several dozen of bottled wine. Also two tracts of land in the county of *York*, each containing 150 acres, more or less, and adjoining the lands of Mr. *Willis* and Mr. *James Bates*; also a water grist mill in the same county, within two miles of the said lands. Credit will be allowed for all sums above 25 s. until the 25th of *April* next, bond and approved security being given to the executors. The above estate is to be sold for the benefit of all Mr. *Prentis*'s children, and the sale is to continue until every thing is disposed of. The sale to begin at 11 o'clock.

PETERSBURG, JULY 21, 1768.

THE subscriber intending to leave the colony immediately desires all persons indebted to the store belonging to *George Pagan* and Co. formerly kept in *Petersburg* by *Walter Robertson*, to make immediate payment to Mr. *Edward Brisbane*, who is fully empowered to receive and grant discharges for the same.

2‖ JOHN PAGAN.

WILLIAMSBURG, JULY 27, 1768.

THE subscriber begs the favour of those indebted to him to make immediate payment, otherwise he will be under the necessity of putting such accounts as are not complied with into the hands of an attorney, which will be very disagreeable to Their humble servant,

THOMAS SKINNER.

N. B. I have by me a parcel of fine *English* calf, dog, morocco, and white calf skins, sole leather, and all sorts of materials for making boots, shoes, slippers, &c. which I intend to make up cheap for ready money. I have also several things in my branch of business to sell cheap for cash. T. S.

To be RENTED *for a term of years, or* SOLD,

THE half-way HOUSE between YORK and HAMPTON. For conditions inquire of the subscriber, living on the premises.

AUGUSTINE MOORE.

To be SOLD *on reasonable terms, for cash or good bills of exchange,*

A SEA SCHOONER, of about eighty tuns burthen, two years old, and now fit to take a cargo in.

Also a SLOOP, of fifty tuns burthen now on the stocks, and may be launched in three weeks.

Any person inclinable to purchase may know the terms by applying to the subscriber in *Kingston* parish, *Gloucester* county.

Tf ROBERT BILLUPS.

RUN away from the subscriber, the 10th of *June* last, a Negro fellow called CAJAH, about 5 feet 9 inches high, of a yellow complexion, a downcast look, well made, a very slovenly fellow, his voice sounds as it coming out of a hollow tree, and reads and writes very well. I am apprehensive he will endeavour to make his escape from the colony. Whoever conveys him to me, in *King William* county, shall be well rewarded. Tf CARTER BRAXTON.

RUN AWAY from a quarter belonging to the estate of Mr. *John Thompson*, deceased, in *Albemarle* county, about three years ago, a tall mulatto wench, slim made, has long hair, and is about 30 years old. She has some pretensions to freedom, and obtained a pass from one of the Justices of the county in order to seek for witnesses to support her claim, but has never returned, and is supposed to be lurking about *Petersburg*, or to have left the colony. She is a sensible wench, and may impose on the credulous for a free woman. Whoever apprehends and conveys her to the overseer at the quarter she left, in *Albemarle*, Mr *Melchisedech Brame* in *Caroline*, or to the subscriber in *Williamsburg*, shall have 5 l. reward, or if taken out of the colony 10 l.

WILLIAM HOLT, Executor.

STRAYED or STOLEN from the subscriber's plantation in *Amelia* county, on *Luth*'s creek, a dark bay horse, about 7 years old, and branded on the near buttock O. Whoever delivers him to me in *Blandford*, or to *John Watkins*, overseer on the plantation, shall have twenty shillings reward. PETER RANDOLPH BLAND.

STRAYED or STOLEN from Mr. *Richard Eggleston*'s, on *Fighting* creek, in *Cumberland* county, some time in *April* last, a sorrel mare, about 4 feet 7 inches high, 5 years old last spring, with a star in her forehead, one hind foot white, one of her eyes resembles a glass one, occasioned by a hurt she received when young, and branded on the near buttock I. Whoever brings the said mare to the subscriber at *Warwick*, or to Mr. *Richard Eggleston* on *Fighting* creek, shall have 20 s. reward; and if stolen, upon conviction of the thief, 5 l.

DAVID CARGILL.

WILLIAMSBURG, JULY 21, 1768.

WHEREAS by a letter from *Montreal*, signed by two of the principal magistrates of that place, I am informed of a most destructive fire which happened there on the 11th of *April* last, which has reduced to ashes a convent inhabited by nuns, and 88 dwelling-houses. By this melancholy event above 100 families are drove to the greatest distress, and what adds to their misfortune is that that part of the town which escaped this disaster was destroyed by the great conflagration in *May* 1765, whereby they are disabled from affording any tolerable degree of assistance to the present unhappy sufferers. They thankfully commemorate the generosity of *Virginia* on that deplorable occasion, and humbly supplicate our further aid towards relieving them under their lamentable condition. Our late worthy Governour made a collection for them on the former occasion, in imitation of whom, and by advice of the Council, I do earnestly entreat the ministers of every parish to appoint some *Sunday* to make such collection, and to preach a sermon suitable to the occasion.

I have delayed this application some time, in expectation of a more particular account of their loss, which is promised; but as their pitiable situation requires the speediest relief, I was unwilling any longer to defer laying their moving case before the publick. I desire the ministers and church-wardens will contrive their collections to me, by safe hands, as soon as may be, that I may convert them into bills of exchange, to be remitted for this charitable purpose.

A particular account of such donations as shall come to my hands will be published in the Gazettes.

JOHN BLAIR.

STRAYED or STOLEN from *Hector M'Alester*'s, in *Albemarle* county, on *Monday* the 2d of *May* last, a half blooded likely gray horse, about 4 feet 10 inches high, 7 years old this spring, with a hanging mane and switch tail, paces slow, trots and gallops well, shod all fours, but has no perceivable brand. Whoever brings the said horse to *James Buchanan*, merchant at *Shockoe*, to *Hector M'Alester*, merchant in *Albemarle*, or to the subscriber in *Amherst*, shall have 40 s. reward; and if stolen, upon conviction of the thief, 10 l.

WILLIAM MITCHELL.

TAKEN up, in *Buckingham*, a bay mare, about 7 or 8 years old, about 4 feet 4 inches high, had on a very good bell, and branded on the near buttock IH.

‖ JOHN GLOVER, jun.

To be SOLD, *on* Thursday *the* 25*th of* August *next, at the late dwelling-house of* John Robinson, *Esq; deceased, in* King *and* Queen *county,*

All his HOUSEHOLD and KITCHEN

FURNITURE,

a quantity of fashionable PLATE, CHINA, &c. likewise his COACH and HORSES. Six months credit will be allowed the purchasers for all articles above twenty shillings value, on giving bond with good security. And some time this fall a number of SLAVES, belonging to that estate, will be sold on short credit, of which further notice will hereafter be given, by

EDMUND PENDLETON, } Adms.
5 PETER LYONS, }

To be SOLD,

THE pleasant and healthy seat of *Bosworth*, with about 1500 acres of level land, none of which but is good for grain, and great part extraordinary fine tobacco land. There is belonging to the said tract of land 100 acres of meadow, thought by good judges to be inferiour to none in the colony. There is a great quantity of fine marl in the hills of *Beaver Dam* creek, which runs through the middle of the land. On this creek is a very valuable double mill, with bolting cloths, &c. and the pond abounds with fine fish, peculiar to that stream, which may be catched in great numbers nine months in the year by angling. These fish are accounted by many Gentlemen to be equal in goodness to any in the colony.

Bosworth lies between *Newcastle* and *Richmond* towns, 11 miles from the first, and 9 from the latter place. I believe no place in *America* has been so noted for the longevity of the inhabitants as this neighbourhood, which I think a very good recommendation, especially to those who love to enjoy health and long life.

" Here health majestick moves along,
" All gay with smiles."

Bosworth house is large and very convenient, and there are every other necessary houses, with about 2000 peach trees, large apple orchards, and a great variety of choice fruit trees. No place in *Virginia* has fruit in greater perfection than this. Whoever inclines to purchase may know the terms, and will be shown the land in my absence, by Capt. *Samuel Meredith*, Mr. *Oliver*, or Mr. *Bell*, who are near neighbours. Credit will be allowed until 1773 for half the money.

4 ANTHONY WINSTON.

N. B. There is great plenty of wild ducks, pheasants, and woodcocks, in this neighbourhood.

PETERSBURG, *July* 18, 1768.

I INTEND to leave this colony soon.

THOMAS ARBUTHNOT.

To be SOLD, *in* Albemarle *county,*

EIGHT hundred and twenty six acres of very fine LAND, with necessary houses, a fine apple orchard, &c. The said land was lately the property of Mr. *Benjamin Brown*, lies on the branches of *James* river, and joins the lands of Mr. *John Winston*. A great bargain will be sold of the said land. For terms inquire of Mr. *John Johnson*, merchant in *Hanover* town.

To be SOLD,

A DOUBLE decked vessel, now on the stocks, which can be finished in a short time. She is about 110 tuns, built by a prime hand from *Boston*, will carry a great burthen, and is esteemed a very fine vessel. For terms apply to

Tf BENJAMIN HARRISON.

To be SOLD *at vendue, on* Monday *the* 12*th of* September *next, at* Suffolk, *being* Nansemond *court day,*

TWO valuable Plantations, in the said county, containing about 300 acres each. The first below and adjoining *Suffolk* town, the situation high, extremely pleasant, and very convenient for publick business, having a wharf with a large warehouse on the river, and several good landings up a creek which bounds the plantation on the east side; a good deal of the land is cleared, and in order for cropping. The pasturage is very plentiful, and a large marsh, which by some ditching may be made very valuable.

The other plantation lies within half a mile of the former, adjoining Col. *Riddick*'s lands, and the *Great Dismal* swamp. The land is extremely rich, and capable of any production that can be expected from a fertile soil; it also abounds with large white oaks, and some cypress. The pasturage is luxuriant, and has the advantage of a reed range joining it, by which a any number of cattle might be kept in full flesh through the winter without any other assistance. Twelve months credit will be allowed the purchasers, on giving bond and security.

Those two plantations will be sold separate, or together, as may best suit the purchasers.

There will also be sold, on the same credit, at *Hartford* court, *North Carolina*, on the first *Tuesday* in *November* next, being court day, a plantation in the said county, on both sides of *Chowan* river, containing about 500 acres, on which is a well accustomed ferry, and a fine fishery, where very large quantities of herrings, shads, and other fish, may be caught in the season; the low grounds are very rich, and an extraordinary fine range contiguous.

Any person wanting a more particular information may apply to *Gibson* and *Granbery* in *Suffolk*, or the subscriber on the first mentioned premises. Tf JOHN REID.

POETS CORNER.

From the Gentleman's Magazine.

On the ABUSE *of* CARDS. *From the* French *of Madame des* Honliers.

SWEET are the joys that flow from moderate uſe,
But pleaſure grows diſtaſteful in abuſe:
Where cards amuſe and not diſtract the thought,
An evening may be paſs'd without a fault;
But when the mind is once by play engroſs'd,
Virtue is hazarded, and peace is loſt.
What though the gameſter glitters to the eyes,
The wretch is but a monſter in diſguiſe!
Who like the ſpider, watching to devour,
Spreads his fell net on every gaudy flower,
To catch the playful fly——a fatal ſnare!
Then ſtrips his plumes, and leaves the carcaſs bare.
How ſmiles the common enemy to find
Friends like himſelf to ruin half mankind!
Once let the breaſt this fatal paſſion ſeize
And avarice ſucceeds by ſlow degrees,
At her approaches honeſty withdraws,
No more the judgment yields to reaſon's laws;
A thouſand cares the tortur'd ſoul moleſt,
Nature no longer taſtes her wonted reſt;
So much the love of gold employs the mind
It leaves no trace of former worth behind,
The heart that once could feel a ſocial pain
Is loſt to every pleaſure now but gain.
The cheated dupe, inſtructed by his wound,
Learns to diſpenſe the miſchiefs he has found;
Creeps like a wretch neglected to his grave,
And as he liv'd a fool he dies a knave.

BALLAD *on the* GENERAL ELECTION.

HAIL glorious time
Fit ſubject for rhyme,
That every diſtinction can level,
When the Gentleman greets
Each blackguard he meets,
And pride muſt deſcend to be civil.

The elegant Peer
Muſt guzzle ſtrong beer
With freemen to gain their protection,
And all who aſpire,
To be Knights of the Shire
Get drunk to ſecure their election.

How fervent the zeal
That candidates feel!
The friendſhip they vow how ſincere!
But 'tis eaſy to gueſs,
When ſuch zeal they profeſs,
That the time of election draws near.

By flattering and treating,
At every meeting,
With the voters they try to prevail;
No words can deſcribe
How they promiſe and bribe,
Such eloquence never can fail.

LET this give notice to thoſe who may have any demands on the eſtate of the late Dr. *Abraham Bywater* that they would make them known, properly atteſted, as ſoon as convenient, in order that the ſubſcriber may form a judgment in what manner he is to act; and it is requeſted of every one indebted to the ſaid eſtate that they would make immediate proviſion to pay off their reſpective accounts, as the circumſtances of the eſtate cannot poſſibly allow any indulgence.

WILLIAM BLACK, Executor.

N. B. It is hoped the creditors will not burthen the eſtate with unneceſſary ſuits, as they may depend all neceſſary ſteps ſhall be taken to ſatisfy every juſt claim. W. B.

STAFFORD, JULY 11, 1768.

RUN AWAY from the ſubſcriber, on *Saturday* laſt, three ſervant men, *viz.* THOMAS ULERIDGE, an *Engliſhman*, about 5 feet 8 inches high, of a fair complexion, and pretty much pitted with the ſmallpox; had on when he went away a coarſe felt hat, a linſey homeſpun jacket, and country made linen ſhirt and trouſers. WILLIAM SIMPSON, an *Engliſhman*, about 5 feet 6 inches high, of a fair complexion, wears a brown jacket, and the remainder of his dreſs as above. PATRICK (the reſt of his name forgot) an *Iriſhman*, about 5 feet 11 inches high, is much pitted with the ſmallpox, was dreſſed in a brown coat with a large collar to it, his ſhirt and trouſers the ſame as above, peaked ſhoes, and ſtole a white ſhirt of country made linen, pretty fine. Whoever takes up the ſaid runaways, and delivers them to the ſubſcriber, or ſecures them ſo as he may get them again, ſhall have 40 s. reward beſides what the law allows. They all carried reaping hooks with them. ‖ THOMAS BRANSON.

TAKEN up, in *Bedford*, a black mare, about 4 feet 2 inches high, about 4 years old, and branded on the near buttock RM; poſted, and appraiſed to 4 l. 15 s.

‖ JESSY TATE.

TAKEN up, in *Bedford*, an iron gray mare, about 4 feet 4 inches high, about 3 years old, not dockt, nor has any perceivable brand.

‖ THOMAS FROST.

To be SOLD *at* King William *court-houſe, on the* 15*th of* September *next*,

SIX hundred and twenty three acres and a half of rich tobacco LAND, near 300 acres low ground inferiour to none in the colony, as is the high land. The ſaid land lies on the north ſide of the ſouth fork of *Pamunkey* river, in the county of *Hanover*, about 25 miles from *Page's* and *Shockoe* warehouſes, and is part of a tract formerly advertiſed for ſale by the ſubſcriber, therefore think it needleſs to deſcend to particulars. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe may know the terms by applying to Meſſ. *Carter Braxton* and *William Aylett* in *King William* county, or to *Bartholomew Dandridge*, Eſq; and the ſubſcriber, in *New Kent* county. Twelve months credit will be allowed the purchaſer, on giving bond and good ſecurity.

6 JOHN AYLETT.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber in *Goochland*, laſt *July*, a tall ſlim black *Virginia* born fellow named DICK, about 35 years old, has a ſurly look, and remarkable red eyes; had the uſual clothing of labouring Negroes, and is ſuppoſed to be harboured in MIDDLESEX county, where he formerly lived. He is very ſenſible, and will endeavour to impoſe upon the publick, and paſs for a freeman; and as I have been lately informed that he intends to leave the colony, I muſt therefore entreat all commanders of veſſels, and others, that if ſuch a perſon ſhould offer his ſervice they will have him ſecured and delivered to the ſubſcriber, who will give FIVE POUNDS reward. Tf LEONARD PRICE.

TAKEN up, in *Surry*, a bay roan mare, 4 feet 8 inches high, with a hanging mane and ſwitch tail, branded on the near buttock IS and on the near ſhoulder IC

‖ SAMUEL PRETLOW.

TAKEN up, in *Dinwiddie*, a dark bay horſe, about 14 years old, with a ſtar in his face, a bob tail, his near hind foot appears to have been broke or put out of place at the footlocks, but has no perceivable brand; poſted, and appraiſed to 3 l.

‖ EDWARD YOUNG.

TAKEN up, in *Bedford*, a ſorrel mare, about 4 feet high, about 11 years old, with a blaze face, a hanging mane and ſwitch tail, a natural trotter, had on a ſmall bell, and branded on the off buttock E; poſted, and appraiſed to 40 s.

‖ JESSY TATE.

To be SOLD, *at private ſale*,

SIX thouſand five hundred acres of Land, in *Charles City* county, pleaſantly ſituated on *James* river; four acres of land, with a water griſt mill, on *Moyſer's* creek, in the ſame county; and 2000 acres of land in *Halifax* county. They will be ſold altogether or in lots, as may beſt ſuit the purchaſers. Theſe lands were the eſtate of Mr. *William Kennon*, and are conveyed to us (with others his truſtees) for the benefit of his creditors. As the ſale of theſe lands has been before advertiſed, but not effected, it may not be improper to aſſure the publick that an abſolute diſpoſal of them is now intended, and that we ſhall at all times be ready to receive propoſals for the whole or any part thereof. Mr. *John Chriſtian*, who lives thereon, will ſhow the lands in *Charles City*.

Tf RICHARD RANDOLPH.
JAMES BELSCHES.
JERMAN BAKER.

COMMITTED to the gaol of SUSSEX county a middle ſized Negro woman, who appears to be half gone with child, has on a *Virginia* cloth waiſtcoat and petticoat, ſays her name is PAT, and that ſhe belongs to *Edward Munford* of *North Carolina*. The owner may have her, by applying to the gaol of the ſaid county.

3m JAMES JONES, Sheriff.

To be SOLD *on very reaſonable terms, altogether or in parcels, and may be entered on next fall*,

THREE thouſand ſix hundred and four acres of well timbered and watered LAND, lying on both ſides *Meherrin* river, in the counties of *Lunenburg* and *Mecklenburg*, about 75 miles from *Peterſburg*; great part of which is very fine tobacco land, and on the reſt there is an excellent range for ſtock. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe may be ſhown the ſame by applying to *William Naiſh*, on the premiſes. For terms inquire of Col. *Archibald Cary* in *Cheſterfield* county, Mr. *Bathurſt Skelton* in *Charles City*, Mr. *Thomas Fleming*, Mr. *William Fleming*, or the ſubſcriber, in *Cumberland* county.

Tf SUSANNA FLEMING.

SCHEME of a LOTTERY,

FOR diſpoſing of 146 LOTS of LAND, in the town of *Hanover*, yet remaining unſold. The leaſt valuable of the lots, according to the prices of thoſe moſt remote from the river, which have been ſold, not being leſs than 20 l. which is far below what was given for ſeveral near the river.

	Lots.	Val.	Rents.
Inſpection at *Page's*, five lots, at 12 years purchaſe,		L. 840	L. 70
Do. at *Crutchfield's*, ſix lots, at do.		720	60
Lots unimproved, each half an acre, at 20 l.	135	L. 1560 2700	130
		L. 4260	130
137 Prizes,	137		
263 Blanks.			
400 tickets, at 10 l. each,		L. 4000	

The ſaid lottery will be drawn at Mr. ANTHONY HAY'S, in *Williamſburg*, as ſoon as the tickets are all ſold, of which notice ſhall be given in the VIRGINIA GAZETTE

Thoſe who do not pay for their tickets on the day of drawing may give bond, to carry intereſt from that time.

Robert Carter Nicholas, *George Wythe*, *Thomas Everard*, *John Thompſon*, and *Jerman Baker*, Eſquires, managers, or any three, of whom tickets may be had, and of the ſubſcriber.

Tf MANN PAGE.

A SCHEME,

For diſpoſing of, by way of LOTTERY, *the* LAND *and* TENEMENTS *under mentioned, being the entire towns of* Rocky Ridge *and* Shockoe, *lying at the Falls of* James *river, and the land thereunto adjoining.*

THE advantageous ſituation of this eſtate is too well known to require a particular deſcription, though it may be neceſſary to inform the publick that the obſtructions through the Falls, and in other parts of the river above, will ſhortly be removed, and the river made navigable to the ſaid towns: The navigation will thereby be extended, and made both ſafe and eaſy for upwards of two hundred miles above the ſaid Falls, and a communication opened to the weſtern frontier of the middle colonies, whereby there will not be more than ſixty or ſeventy miles portage from *James* river to the *Ohio*; ſo that the immenſe treaſure of that valuable country muſt neceſſarily be brought to market to one or other of the aboveſaid towns, which will occaſionally raiſe the rents, and enhance the value, of the lands and tenements under mentioned, beyond the powers of conception.

	Lots.	Value.	Rents.
A double forge, a mill, with two acres and a half of land adjoining, the uſe of the landing, the canal, with ten feet on each ſide, and 2000 acres of back land, the furtheſt part of which is not more than five miles from the forge,		L. 8000	
Inſpection at *Rocky Ridge*, at 12 years purchaſe,		780	L. 65
James Lyle, his tenement, at do.		540	45
Archibald Buchanan, at do.		540	45
Alexander Stewart, at do.		510	42 10
Elizabeth Todd, at do.		480	40
Robert Gordon, at do.		90	7 10
Joſeph Hopkins, at do.		60	5
John Shackelton, at do.		36	3
James Gunn, formerly rented to *Thomas Yuille*,		540	45
Ferry on the ſouth ſide, at 20 years purchaſe, with half an acre of land on the bank,		2000	100
A fiſhery on the ſouth ſide, at 20 years do.		600	30
Number of improved lots,	12	L. 14,176	L. 428
Lots unimproved, each half an acre, to be laid off in a town convenient to the river, with publick landings, at 25 l. each,	300	7500	
The amount of lots on the ſouth ſide of *James* river, in *Cheſterfield* county,	312	L. 21,676	L. 428
Shockoe inſpection, at 12 years purchaſe,		L. 780	L. 65
Byrd's do. at do.		780	65
Watſon's, at do.		720	60
James Buchanan, at do.		720	60
Patrick Coutts, at do.		420	35
George Ellis, at do.		120	10
James M'Dowell, at do.		480	40
David Roſs, at do.		480	40
Thomas Youngbuſband, at do.		540	45
James Rozer, at do.		60	5
James Howling, at do.		60	5
John M'Keind, at do.		144	12
M'Pherſon & Menzies, at do.		420	35
James Daley, at do.		36	3
Lewis Warwick, at do.		60	5
Ferry, at 20 years do.		2000	100
Fiſhery, at 20 years do.		2000	100
Number of improved lots,	17	L. 9820	L. 685
10,000 acres of land, to be laid off in lots of 100 acres each, valued at 30 s. per acre,	100	15,000	
10 iſlands, on ſome of which are very valuable fiſheries,	10	300	
Lots unimproved, valued at 25 l. each,	400	10,000	
The amount of lots on the north ſide of *James* river,	547	L. 35,120	L. 685
The amount of lots on the ſouth ſide of do. as above,	312	21,676	428
839 Prizes.	839	L. 56,796	L. 1113
9161 Blanks.			
10,000 Tickets, at 5 l. each,		L. 50,000	

The ſaid lottery will certainly be drawn at *Williamſburg* in NOVEMBER next, under the management and direction of the Hon. PRESLY THORNTON, Eſq; PEYTON RANDOLPH, JOHN PAGE, CHARLES CARTER, and CHARLES TURNBULL, Eſquires, truſtees for the ſame, who will execute conveyances for the prizes drawn by the fortunate adventurers in this lottery. Tickets to be had of the truſtees, alſo of Col. ARCHIBALD CARY, JOHN WAYLES, and the ſubſcriber.

W. BYRD.

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